HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION No. ____

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A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION memorializing Master Sergeant Michael Hiester.

Whereas, Master Sergeant Michael Hiester died March 26, 2005, when the military vehicle in which he was riding struck and detonated a land mine in Afghanistan;

Whereas, Master Sergeant Hiester will posthumously receive the Bronze Star, the Purple Heart, and the Combat Infantryman's Badge;

Whereas, Master Sergeant Hiester joined the Indiana National Guard in 1989 and had worked full time for the Guard since 1990;

Whereas, Master Sergeant Hiester was an operations officer with the 238th Cavalry Regiment and served with that group in Bosnia-Herzegovina as part of the Indiana National Guard's peacekeeping assignment;

Whereas, Master Sergeant Hiester joined the Bluffton Fire Department in 1993;

Whereas, Leader of the department's dive team, Master Sergeant Hiester was an instructor who also made himself an expert in ropes and rappelling;

Whereas, Master Sergeant Hiester was a member of the American Legion and the Veterans of Foreign Wars in addition to the National Guard Association of Indiana and the International Association of Dive Rescue Specialists;



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Whereas, In his spare time, Master Sergeant Hiester enjoyed cycling and diving;

Whereas, Hoosier men and women fighting the war on terrorism have responded to their country's call without hesitation, and some of these dedicated men and women have been called upon to make the ultimate sacrifice;

Whereas, The families of these brave men and women are supported at home through the prayers and love of their families and friends; and

Whereas, Master Sergeant Hiester lived his entire life in the town of Bluffton and dedicated a large part of his time to helping the community: Therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana, the Senate concurring:

SECTION 1. That the Indiana General Assembly expresses its deep felt sorrow to the members of the family of Master Sergeant Michael Hiester in their time of great sorrow and expresses its appreciation of the sacrifice he made in order to keep our country and the world free. SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of Representatives shall transmit a copy of this resolution to Master Sergeant Michael Hiester's wife Dawn, his children Emily and Adam,

his parents Tom and Kay Hiester, and his sisters Michele and Megan.



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